

**ABSTRACT**

**[00161]** The present invention is directed to a method for treating inflammatory bowel disease in a patient comprising administering to said patient a pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of an anti-malarial compound in association with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and/or excipient that delays and targets the release of the anti-malarial compound in the gastrointestinal tract of the patient.

**[00162]** It is also directed to the pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of the anti-malarial compound in association with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or excipient that delays and target the release of the anti-malarial compound in the gastrointestinal tract.